

URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL OF SEVENOAKS



ANNUAL REPORT

for 1971

of the

MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH

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SEVENOAKS URBAN DISTRICT

HEALTH COMMITTEE

(Constitution at 31st December, 1971)

Chairman of Council Councillor Mrs.W.M. Brown
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Councillor R.A.D. Froy Councillor G.W. Hayward

- * Member,with Councillor J.F.London,on the South West Kent Joint Health Committee
- ' Standing Deputy on the South West Kent Joint Health Committee

STAFF OF THE PUBLIC HEALTH DEPARTMENT

MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH

R.G. BRENNEN, M.B., B.Ch., B.A.O., D.P.H.

DEPUTY MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH

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(Also Senior Clinical Medical Officer,
Kent County Council)

CLERICAL STAFF

Chief Clerk: Mrs.E.M.Tibbles
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PUBLIC HEALTH INSPECTORS

Chief Public Health Inspector:
E.A. Williams (a,c,d, and e)

Public Health Inspector:
H.F. Johnson (b and c)

Student Public Health Inspector:
M. Histed

Public Health Inspectors' Clerk:
Mrs.F.A. Osborne

Rodent Operator:
G.T. HeHysman

- (a) Certificate of Royal Sanitary Institute and Sanitary Inspectors'
Examination Joint Board
- (b) Certificate of the Public Health Inspectors' Education Board
- (c) Meat and Other Foods Inspection Certificate of the Royal Society of Health
- (d) Diploma of Shops Act Administration
- (e) Diploma of Royal Society of Health in Air Pollution Control

Mr.R.C.Spalding, M.A., F.R.I.C., acts as County Analyst for the District

SEVENOAKS URBAN DISTRICT

Telephone No.
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Tonbridge.

To the Chairman and Members of the Sevenoaks Urban District Council

Mr. Chairman, Ladies and Gentlemen,

I have the honour to present the Annual Report on the health of the District for 1971.

The estimated mid-year population of the District, given by the Registrar-General, was 18,280, an increase of 250 over the mid-1970 figure.

The total number of registered live births was 191 (97 males and 94 females), this figure being one more than last year. The crude birth rate was 10.4 per 1,000 population, the corrected birth rate being 11.8, compared with 16.0 for England and Wales.

The number of deaths from all causes totalled 188 (84 males and 104 females), this figure being a little lower than last year's total of 202. The crude death rate per 1,000 population was 10.3, the corrected death rate for the District being 8.5, compared with 11.6 for England and Wales.

One infant died under one year of age, giving an Infant Mortality Rate of 5.0. The rate for England and Wales was 18.0. The Neo-Natal Death Rate (the number of deaths of infants under four weeks) was 5.0.

There were 11 deaths from Cancer of the Lung and Bronchus (8 males and 3 females), compared with 8 last year.

The number of notifiable infectious diseases recorded in the District was 26, compared with 85 in 1970.

On page 15 of this Report figures, kindly supplied by the County Medical Officer, are given showing the number of persons immunised and vaccinated during the year under review.

It will be appreciated that this report is an attempt to record the quality of life in our own small community, this in turn reflecting the work of our medical and social services against an environmental background in the planning and improving of which so much time is voluntarily spent by our Civic representatives. This is supplemented by a vast volume of voluntary effort by individuals both inside and outside these services, and to these I should like to record my indebtedness for their help on so many occasions during the year.

However, consideration of the facts of life and death in this report will, I hope, remind us that our personal habits and choice in our mode of life would be as important in improving the health of our community and reduction of the pollution of our environment, as would thought and kindness in caring for our neighbours.

Once again my sincere thanks are due to Mr. Williams and the staff of the Department, and to all those too numerous to mention, who have so patiently assisted in the compilation of these statistics.

I am, Ladies and Gentlemen,

Your obedient Servant,

R.G.BRENNEN

Medical Officer of Health

GENERAL STATISTICS

Area: 3,728 acres

Population:

R.G.'s Estimate mid 1971	18,280
R.G.'s Estimate mid 1970	18,030
R.G.'s Estimate mid 1971 for England & Wales	48,815,000

Density of population, i.e. Number
of persons per acre 4.9

Number of inhabited houses: 5,731

Rateable value: £929,330

Sum produced by a penny (1p) rate: £8,878

SOUTH WEST KENT JOINT HEALTH AREA
EXTRACTS FROM VITAL STATISTICS FOR THE YEAR 1971

			Cranbrook R.D.	Sevenoaks R.D.	Sevenoaks U.D.	Southborough U.D.	Tonbridge R.D.	Tonbridge U.D.	Tunbridge Wells Borough	Joint Health Area
LIVE BIRTHS	LEGITIMATE:	Male	102	298	90	49	222	280	335	1,376
		Female	100	266	89	54	224	257	305	1,295
		Total	202	564	179	103	446	537	640	2,671
	ILLEGITIMATE:	Male	11	21	7	1	14	15	27	96
		Female	7	8	5	5	12	10	30	77
		Total	18	29	12	6	26	25	57	173
TOTAL LIVE BIRTHS		220	593	191	109	472	562	697	2,844	
CRUDE BIRTH RATE PER 1,000 of mid year population 1971			12.6	13.0	10.4	11.3	15.0	18.1	15.6	14.3
Comparability factor supplied by Registrar-General			1.26	1.07	1.13	1.14	1.03	0.98	1.10	-
ADJUSTED BIRTH RATE			15.9	13.9	11.8	12.9	15.5	17.7	17.2	-
STILL BIRTHS	LEGITIMATE:	Male	2	2	1	-	2	2	4	13
		Female	1	6	-	1	1	3	4	16
		Total	3	8	1	1	3	5	8	29
	ILLEGITIMATE:	Male	-	-	-	-	1	-	1	2
		Female	-	1	1	-	-	-	-	2
		Total	-	1	1	-	1	-	1	4
TOTAL STILL BIRTHS		3	9	2	1	4	5	9	33	
STILL BIRTH RATE per 1,000 (live and still) births			13	15	10	9	8	9	13	11.5
TOTAL LIVE AND STILL BIRTHS			223	602	193	110	476	567	706	2,877

	Cranbrook R.D.	Sevenoaks R.D.	Sevenoaks U.D.	Southborough U.D.	Tonbridge R.D.	Tonbridge U.D.	Tunbridge Wells Borough	Joint Health Area
INFANT DEATHS (under one year) <div> Male Female TOTAL </div>	- 3	6 4	- 1	- 1	2 4	2 3	6 6	16 22
	3	10	1	1	6	5	12	38
INFANT MORTALITY RATES:								
All infants per 1,000 live births	14	17	5	9	13	9	17	13.4
NEO-NATAL mortality rate per 1,000 live births	9	15	5	9	8	7	10	9.8
EARLY NEO-NATAL mortality rate per 1,000 live births	9	13	-	9	8	7	9	9.0
PERI-NATAL mortality rate per 1,000 live and still births	22	28	10	18	17	16	21	20.2
MATERNAL MORTALITY (including abortion)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Rate per 1,000 total (live and still) births	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
DEATHS <div> Male Female TOTAL </div>	73 109	221 261	84 104	42 52	134 166	148 146	259 418	961 1,256
	182	482	188	94	300	294	677	2,217
CRUDE DEATH RATE per 1,000 of mid year population 1971	10.4	10.6	10.3	9.7	9.5	9.5	15.2	11.2
Comparability factor supplied by Registrar General	0.88	0.99	0.83	0.79	0.85	0.97	0.54	-
ADJUSTED DEATH RATE	9.2	10.5	8.5	7.7	8.1	9.2	8.2	-

SOUTH WEST KENT JOINT HEALTH AREA

TABLE SHOWING CAUSES OF DEATH (all ages)
(Supplied by Registrar-General)

(1)

CAUSE OF DEATH	Joint Health Area		Total
	M	F	
Tuberculosis of Respiratory System	2	1	3
Enteritis and other Diarrhoeal Diseases	2	-	2
Other Infective and Parasitic Diseases	-	1	1
Malignant Neoplasm, Buccal Cavity Etc.,	3	2	5
Malignant Neoplasm, Oesophagus	7	10	17
Malignant Neoplasm, Stomach	17	20	37
Malignant Neoplasm, Intestine	24	38	62
Malignant Neoplasm, Lung, Bronchus	106	27	133
Malignant Neoplasm, Breast	-	62	62
Malignant Neoplasm, Uterus	-	18	18
Malignant Neoplasm, Prostate	13	-	13
Leukaemia	4	7	11
Other Malignant Neoplasms, etc.,	61	71	132
Benign and Unspecified Neoplasms	2	5	7
Diabetes Mellitus	5	13	18
Avitaminoses, etc.,	-	1	1
Other Endocrine, etc., Diseases	-	3	3
Anaemias	3	4	7
Other Diseases of Blood, etc.,	-	2	2
Multiple Sclerosis	3	2	5
Other Diseases of Nervous System, Etc.,	9	11	20
Chronic Rheumatic Heart Disease	8	16	24
Hypertensive Disease	20	17	37
Ischaemic Heart Disease	226	224	450
Other Forms of Heart Disease	53	121	174
Cerebrovascular Disease	107	241	348

SOUTH WEST KENT JOINT HEALTH AREA

TABLE SHOWING CAUSES OF DEATH (all ages)
(Supplied by Registrar-General)

(1)

Cranbrook R.D.		Sevenoaks R.D.		Sevenoaks U.D.		Southborough U.D.		Tonbridge R.D.		Tonbridge U.D.		Tonbridge Wells Borough	
M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F
-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	1	-	-	1	-	-
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	-
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
1	1	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
-	-	2	1	-	4	1	-	3	-	-	1	1	4
2	-	5	6	1	1	1	-	2	6	2	2	4	5
-	2	8	9	2	4	1	2	3	5	2	2	8	14
7	4	25	9	8	3	9	-	11	1	22	1	24	9
-	6	-	14	-	6	-	3	-	10	-	11	-	12
-	1	-	4	-	1	-	3	-	6	-	1	-	2
2	-	4	-	1	-	-	-	4	-	1	-	1	-
-	1	1	1	-	-	1	-	1	1	-	3	1	1
4	4	16	20	6	4	3	1	4	19	10	6	18	17
-	-	-	3	1	-	-	-	-	1	-	1	1	-
2	2	1	2	-	-	-	1	-	2	-	1	2	5
-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2
-	1	-	-	1	2	-	-	-	-	-	1	2	-
-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
-	-	1	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	2
1	4	3	3	1	1	1	-	2	-	-	1	1	2
1	4	3	2	-	2	-	-	1	-	-	2	3	6
-	-	6	5	1	1	1	3	4	2	6	3	2	3
17	22	49	44	20	17	10	8	37	26	41	38	52	69
3	13	13	9	2	9	4	7	7	16	10	14	14	53
5	20	23	42	6	16	4	10	15	26	13	24	41	103

SOUTH WEST KENT JOINT HEALTH AREA

TABLE SHOWING CAUSES OF DEATH (all ages)
(Supplied by Registrar-General)

(2)

CAUSE OF DEATH	Joint Health Area		Total
	M	F	
Other Diseases of Circulatory System	39	69	108
Influenza	1	-	1
Pneumonia	71	116	187
Bronchitis and Emphysema	62	15	77
Asthma	2	5	7
Other Diseases of Respiratory System	8	14	22
Peptic Ulcer	4	6	10
Intestinal Obstruction and Hernia	7	4	11
Cirrhosis of Liver	2	1	3
Other Diseases of Digestive System	11	22	33
Nephritis and Nephrosis	4	3	7
Hyperplasia of Prostate	2	-	2
Other Diseases, Genito-Urinary System	9	12	21
Diseases of Skin, Subcutaneous Tissue	1	2	3
Other complications of Pregnancy, etc.,	-	2	2
Diseases of Musculo-Skeletal System	2	7	9
Congenital Anomalies	4	7	11
Birth Injury, Difficult Labour, etc.,	6	9	15
Other Causes of Perinatal Mortality	3	1	4
Symptoms and Ill-defined Conditions	9	8	17
Motor Vehicle Accidents	19	8	27
All Other Accidents	9	14	23
Suicide and Self-Inflicted Injuries	10	12	22
All Other External Causes	1	2	3
TOTALS	961	1,256	2,217

SOUTH WEST KENT JOINT HEALTH AREA

TABLE SHOWING CAUSES OF DEATH (all ages)
(Supplied by Registrar-General)

(2)

Cranbrook R.D.		Sevenoaks R.D.		Sevenoaks U.D.		Southborough U.D.		Tonbridge R.D.		Tonbridge U.D.		Tonbridge Wells Borough	
M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F
3	5	8	21	7	8	2	1	7	5	4	4	8	25
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-
6	8	16	28	9	11	1	5	8	19	10	11	21	34
8	2	12	4	9	2	-	1	7	1	7	1	19	4
-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	-	1	3
-	-	2	5	-	-	-	-	2	1	1	1	3	7
-	1	3	1	-	1	-	-	-	1	-	-	1	2
-	2	-	1	1	-	1	-	2	-	1	-	2	1
-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	1
2	1	1	8	1	2	-	1	1	2	1	3	5	5
-	-	2	-	-	-	-	1	1	-	1	1	-	1
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	-
2	-	-	3	-	2	-	1	1	2	2	2	4	2
-	-	-	2	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	1	-	-
1	1	-	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	1	2
-	-	2	3	-	2	-	-	-	1	1	1	1	-
-	1	3	1	-	-	-	1	2	1	-	2	1	3
-	-	1	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	1	-	1	-
2	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	4	-	2	5
3	1	3	1	4	-	-	1	4	3	2	1	3	1
1	-	2	1	-	2	1	-	-	3	2	2	3	6
-	2	2	2	1	1	-	1	2	2	2	1	3	3
-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	1
73	109	221	261	84	104	42	52	134	166	148	146	259	418

CAUSES OF DEATH OF INFANTS UNDER ONE YEAR

Cause of death	Under 24 hours	1 day to 1 week	1-2 weeks	2-3 weeks	3-4 weeks	Total under 4 weeks	1-3 mths	3-6 mths	6-9 mths	9-12 mths	TOTAL
Other Causes of Perinatal Mortality	-	-	-	-	1	1	-	-	-	-	1

DEATHS FROM LUNG CANCER DURING THE PAST TEN YEARS

YEAR	20 - 34 years		35 - 44 years		45 - 64 years		65 - 74 years		75 years and over		TOTAL	
	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F
1962	-	-	1	-	4	1	2	1	2	1	9	3
1963	-	-	-	-	5	1	3	-	3	-	11	1
1964	-	-	-	-	5	-	1	-	-	-	6	-
1965	-	-	-	-	3	-	4	-	1	1	8	1
1966	-	-	-	-	2	1	1	2	2	-	5	3
1967	-	-	-	-	4	-	3	-	-	1	7	1
1968	-	-	-	-	4	2	3	-	2	-	9	2
1969	1	-	-	-	2	1	4	-	-	2	7	3
1970	-	-	-	-	1	1	3	-	1	2	5	3
1971	-	-	-	-	2	1	5	2	1	-	8	3
TOTALS	1	-	1	-	32	8	29	5	12	7	75	20

AGES OF CASES OF NOTIFIABLE DISEASES

DISEASE	Total cases (all ages)	Under 1 year	1 yr.	2 yrs.	3 yrs.	4 yrs.	5-9 yrs.	10-14 yrs.	15-24 yrs.	25-44 yrs.	45-64 yrs.	65 and over
Scarlet Fever	4	-	-	-	-	3	1	-	-	-	-	-
Whooping Cough	11	-	-	1	-	1	4	4	-	1	-	-
Measles	7	-	2	1	-	-	2	2	-	-	-	-
Food Poisoning	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-
Tuberculosis												
Pulmonary	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	-
Meninges & C.N.S.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other Forms	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-
TOTALS	26	-	2	2	-	4	7	6	2	2	1	-

SEASONAL INCIDENCE OF NOTIFIABLE DISEASES

DISEASE	JAN.	FEB.	MAR.	APR.	MAY	JUNE	JULY	AUG.	SEPT.	OCT.	NOV.	DEC.	TOTALS
Scarlet Fever	-	-	1	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	4
Whooping Cough	1	-	3	5	-	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	11
Measles	-	-	4	-	-	1	-	2	-	-	-	-	7
Food Poisoning	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	1
Tuberculosis													
Pulmonary	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	2
Meninges & C.N.S.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other Forms	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
TOTALS	1	1	8	6	2	3	-	2	1	-	-	2	26

TUBERCULOSIS

Age Periods	NEW CASES				DEATHS			
	Pulmonary		Non-Pulmonary		Pulmonary		Non-Pulmonary	
	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F
Under 1 year	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
1 year	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2 - 4 years	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
5 - 9 years	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
10 - 14 years	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
15 - 19 years	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-
20 - 24 years	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
25 - 34 years	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
35 - 44 years	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
45 - 54 years	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
55 - 64 years	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
65 - 74 years	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-
75 and over	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
TOTALS	2	-	1	-	1	-	-	-

TUBERCULOSIS - SUMMARY OF CASES

	MALE		FEMALE		TOTAL
	Pulmonary	Non-Pulmonary	Pulmonary	Non-Pulmonary	
Cases on register at beginning of year	48	6	29	10	93
Cases added	2	1	-	-	3
Cases removed	7	-	-	-	7
Cases remaining	43	7	29	10	89

NUMBER OF CASES AND DEATHS FROM TUBERCULOSIS DURING THE PAST TEN YEARS

Year	Pulmonary		Non-Pulmonary		Total Deaths
	No. of cases notified	Deaths	No. of cases notified	Deaths	
1962	1	2	2	1	3
1963	1	1	-	1	2
* 1964	4	-	1	-	-
1965	2	-	-	-	-
* 1966	1	1	-	-	1
1967	1	-	-	-	-
* 1968	1	-	1	-	-
1969	1	-	-	1	1
1970	-	1	-	-	1
1971	2	1	1	-	1

* Denotes year Mass Radiography Unit visited the District.

IMMUNISATION AND VACCINATION

The following table shows the figures for 1971 based on the return sent to the Department of Health and Social Security.

Year of Birth	P R I M A R Y						R E I N F O R C I N G						
	Triple Antigen	Diph-theria Tetanus	Small-pox	Tetanus	Measles	Polio mye-litis	Rubella	Triple Antigen	Diph-theria Tetanus	Small-pox	Tetanus	Measles	Polio mye-litis
1971	3	-	-	-	2	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
1970	130	1	13	-	55	128	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
1969	45	-	67	-	63	49	-	-	2	-	-	-	-
1968	2	2	6	-	20	4	-	6	8	1	-	-	-
1967	-	-	1	-	18	3	-	-	16	1	-	-	10
1966	-	-	3	-	11	-	-	10	121	6	-	-	134
1964/5	-	-	1	-	9	-	-	2	50	4	2	-	55
1955/63	-	-	2	5	5	-	163	4	15	36	13	-	12
TOTAL:-	180	3	93	5	183	185	163	22	212	48	15	-	211

Smallpox vaccinations at County Clinics were discontinued as from 30.7.71

REGISTRATION OF NURSING HOMES

(Sections 187 to 194 of the Public Health Act, 1936
as amended by the Nursing Homes Act, 1963)

	Number of Homes	Number of beds provided for:-		
		Maternity	Others	Total
Homes registered during year	-	-	-	-
Homes whose registrations were withdrawn during year	-	-	-	-
Homes on register at end of the year	2	-	50	50

Visits of inspection, and special visits as required, are made to the above Nursing Homes during the year.

NATIONAL ASSISTANCE ACT, 1948 - SECTION 47

NATIONAL ASSISTANCE (AMENDMENT) ACT, 1951

(Removal to suitable premises of persons in need of care and attention)

No action was necessary under these Enactments during the year.

Laboratory Service

The Public Health Laboratory Service, under the Directorship of Dr.A.L. Furniss, provided excellent facilities during the year for the examination of specimens and full co-operation with the staff was maintained. Valuable facilities are also available in the Pathological Departments of the following hospitals: Kent and Sussex. Pembury, Sevenoaks and Orpington.

Staff Medical Examinations

During the year thirty-seven medical examinations were carried out for the District for superannuation purposes, and five for Heavy Goods Vehicle Licences.

International Vaccination Certificates

These are authenticated on request, in accordance with International agreements. In co-operation with the immigration authorities persons arriving in the country from infected or suspected areas without valid certificates are kept under surveillance by the Health Department.

LOCAL HEALTH SERVICES OF KENT COUNTY COUNCIL

HEALTH SERVICES

Ambulance Facilities

Enquiries relating to ambulance service matters and requests for ambulance transport are dealt with by the Kent County Council Ambulance Service from their station at Moor Road, Sevenoaks (Tel. Sevenoaks 51088)

Domiciliary Midwifery

The County Council arranges for the free attendance of midwives upon patients who are to be confined at home. The name and address of the appropriate midwife for any particular district is usually known to the patient's doctor, but can be obtained from the Area Office of the County Council.

Home Nursing Service

The County Council provides a service free of charge for the attendance on persons whose doctors require them to be nursed in their own homes. The nurse's attendance is normally arranged by the doctor, but the name and address of the appropriate nurse for any particular district is obtainable from the Area Office of the County Council.

SOCIAL SERVICES

Area Office

Area Director:- Mr.G.H. Foster,
152, London Road,
Sevenoaks.
Tel. Sevenoaks 52833

Home Help Service

Home help service may be provided in households where it is needed owing to the presence of a person who is ill, lying-in, an expectant mother, aged, handicapped as a result of having suffered from illness or congenital deformity, or a child not over compulsory school age, but only where there is no able-bodied person in the household capable of carrying out the necessary household duties.

Night and Evening Service

Evening service is provided for elderly people who are bedridden or housebound and have no one to assist them to prepare for the night and includes the provision of a light meal or hot drink and attention to fires. Night service is provided, for no longer than three weeks unless there are exceptional circumstances, for the care of seriously ill people who are living in their own homes and who need attention during the night. In some cases the service is provided for one to three nights a week to give relief to relatives.

Family Care Service

This service is provided for the short-term care of children in their own homes during the absence of the mother by reason of admission to hospital for illness or confinement or in other special circumstances. Help is given only to families where care of at least two children is involved and the period of service is limited to three months.

Family Welfare Service

This service is provided, with the parent's consent, in households where the habits, behaviour and standards of living of the family are much below those generally accepted in the society in which they live. The three main objectives of the service are to raise the standard of living of the families, to improve the welfare of the children, and to keep the families together and prevent their break-up. Intensive training for a period of three months is given and this is succeeded by a follow-on service of nine months. In families where there is medical evidence of mental subnormality the continuance of the service after the initial period of three months may be approved for not more than twelve hours a week until the youngest child reaches compulsory school age.

Health Visitors

Miss H.M. Gaunt

Mrs. Hughes

CHILD WELFARE CENTRES AND CLINICS

<u>Centre</u>	<u>Service</u>	<u>Day and Time</u>
St. John's Road, Sevenoaks Tel. Sevenoaks 53645	Child Welfare	Tues. P.M.
	Child Welfare (Toddlers')	1st Thurs. P.M.
	Relaxation Class)	Thurs. P.M.
	Midwives' Clinic)	
	Ante Natal and)	Mon. P.M.
	Relaxation Class)	
	Midwives' Clinic)	
	Chiropody	Tues. All Day
	School Clinic	2nd Weds. 9 - 10 A.M.
	Dental	Mon. A.M. and P.M. (if required) Wed. A.M. and P.M. Thurs. A.M. and P.M. Fri. A.M. and P.M.
St.Nicholas' Church Hall, South Park, Sevenoaks	Ophthalmic	Fri. A.M.
	Speech	Mon., Tues., Thurs., (by appointment) all day
	Child Welfare	Wed. P.M.

SERVICES PROVIDED BY THE REGIONAL HOSPITAL BOARD

Hospitals

The Hospital Management Committees of the South East Metropolitan Regional Hospital Board covering the hospitals in the Joint Health Area are set out below:-

Tunbridge Wells Hospital Management Committee:
Sherwood Park, Pembury Road, Tunbridge Wells. Tel. 23444

Hospitals covered in the Joint Health Area -

Pembury Hospital
Kent and Sussex Hospital
The Homoeopathic Hospital
Tonbridge Cottage Hospital
Tunbridge Wells Maternity Hospital
Hawkenbury Hospital
Edenbridge and District Memorial Hospital
David Salomons House, Southborough
Hawkhurst Cottage Hospital

Cray Valley and Sevenoaks Hospital Management Committee:
Orpington Hospital, Orpington. Tel. Orpington 27050

Hospitals covered in the Joint Health Area -

Sevenoaks Hospital
Emily Jackson Wing of Sevenoaks Hospital
Sundridge Hospital

Chest Clinics

<u>Address</u>	<u>Days</u>	<u>Times</u>
Baltic Road, Tonbridge	Monday	2 p.m. to 4 p.m.
Pembury Hospital, Pembury	Wednesday	2 p.m. to 4 p.m.
Kent and Sussex Hospital, Tunbridge Wells	Friday	All day
Sevenoaks Chest Clinic, Outpatients Department, Sevenoaks Hospital	Wednesday	Morning

Clinic for Treatment of Venereal Diseases

Kent and Sussex Hospital, Tunbridge Wells	Tuesday (females) Tuesday (males)	9.30 a.m. 10.30 a.m.
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SEVENOAKS URBAN DISTRICT

SANITARY CIRCUMSTANCES OF THE DISTRICT

1. Water Supply

Sevenoaks Urban District is supplied with mains water from the Sevenoaks and Tonbridge Water Company, and during the year the supply was satisfactory both as regards quantity and quality. The fluoride content was less than 0.1 mg/l.

Examination reports on water samples taken during the year were as follows:-

	Bacteriological Examination			Chemical Examination		
	No. of samples	Satisfactory	Not satisfactory	No. of samples	Satisfactory	Not satisfactory
Statutory supply undertakings	8	8	-	-	-	-
Private sources piped to dwellings	8	8	-	-	-	-
Other private sources	-	-	-	-	-	-

All the dwellings in the Urban District are supplied by mains water.

During 1971, The Sevenoaks and Tonbridge Water Company laid 612 yards of mains extensions in the District, together with 92 yards of trunk and pumping mains.

2. Drainage and Sewerage

No new works of sewerage or sewage disposal have been carried out by this Authority during 1971.

Some new sewers were laid by private developers. To these, and to existing sewers, 94 new properties were connected, of which 68 were constructed by private enterprise and 26 by the Sevenoaks Urban District Council.

3. Refuse collection and Disposal

There have been no important changes in respect of collection and disposal of refuse during the year.

4. Swimming Pools

Number of public swimming pools	...	...	...	...	...	...	1
Number of school swimming pools	...	...	...	...	...	...	3
Number of visits made during year	...	...	...	...	...	...	8
Number of samples taken:							
Satisfactory	...	...	...	...	...	...	12
Unsatisfactory	...	...	...	...	...	...	-

5. Inspection of the District

Number of complaints received and investigated	...	...	...	...	...	157
Total number of visits of all kinds paid by Inspectors during the year	...	...	...	...	...	3,745

Informal Notices:

Served during the year	...	...	...	126
Complied with during the year	...	...	...	93

Statutory Notices:

Served during the year	...	...	...	1
Complied with during the year				
(a) by owners	...	...	...	1
(b) by Local Authority in default..				-

Legal proceedings taken during the year	-
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Summary of Inspections and Visits by Public Health Inspectors during the year:

Housing	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	314
Nuisances, etc., (not included under Housing)	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	445
Visits to Food Premises	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1,169
Food Hygiene (Markets, Stalls & Delivery Vehicles) Regulations, 1966	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	103
Visits re Food Complaints	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	24
Swimming Pools	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	8
Factories Act, 1961	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	76
Offices, Shops and Railway Premises Act, 1963	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1,057
Shops Acts, 1950/65	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	74
Petroleum Act	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	214
Prevention of Damage by Pests Act, 1949	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	58
Agriculture (Safety, Health & Welfare Provisions) Act, 1956	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	5
Pet Animals Act, 1951	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	7
Animal Boarding Establishments Act, 1963	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2
Atmospheric Pollution Prevention	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	8
Noise Abatement	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	9
Infectious Disease Visits	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	16
Miscellaneous	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	156
										3,745

6. Disinfestation

Wasps Nests: During the year 205 investigations were carried out and 195 nests successfully treated.

7. Prevention of Damage by Pests Act, 1949

PROPERTIES OTHER THAN SEWERS	TYPE OF PROPERTY	
	NON- AGRICULTURAL	AGRICULTURAL
1. Number of properties in the District	7,302	8
2. (a) Total number of properties (including nearby premises) inspected following notification	355	2
(b) Number infested by (i) Rats	104	1
(ii) Mice	224	1
3. (a) Total number of properties inspected for rats and/or mice for reasons other than notification	690	-
(b) Number infested by (i) Rats	13	-
(ii) Mice	25	-

SEWERS

Sewer treatment was carried out during the year, and infestations dealt with.

8.	<u>Rag, Flock & Other Filling Materials Act, 1951</u>							
	Number of Registered premises	...	...	...	...	...	...	Nil
9.	<u>Diseases of Animals (Waste Food) Order, 1957</u>							
	Number of licensed premises	...	...	...	...	...	...	Nil
10.	<u>Agriculture (Safety, Health & Welfare Provisions) Act, 1956</u>							
	Number of inspections made	...	...	...	...	...	...	5
11.	<u>Pet Animals Act, 1951</u>							
	Number of premises licensed	...	...	...	...	...	...	4
	Number of visits made	...	...	...	...	...	...	7
12.	<u>Animal Boarding Establishments Act, 1963</u>							
	Number of premises licensed	...	...	...	...	...	...	2
	Number of visits made	...	...	...	...	...	...	2
13.	<u>Scrap Metal Dealers Act, 1964</u>							
	Number of dealers registered	...	...	...	...	...	...	2
14.	<u>Clean Air Act, 1956/1968</u>							
	Number of visits made	...	...	...	...	...	...	8

FACTORIES ACT, 1961

Part I of the Act

1. Inspections for purposes of provisions as to health (including inspections made by Public Health Inspectors)

Premises	Number on Register	Number of		
		Inspections	Written Notices	Occupiers Prosecuted
(i) Factories in which Sections 1, 2, 3, 4 and 6 are to be enforced by the Local Authority	12	6	-	-
(ii) Factories not included in (i) in which Section 7 is enforced by the Local Authority	59	68	-	-
(iii) Other premises in which Section 7 is enforced by the Local Authority (excluding outworkers' premises)	2	2	-	-
Total	73	76	-	-

2. Cases in which Defects were found

Particulars	Number of cases in which defects were found				Number of cases in which prosecutions were instituted
	Found	Remedied	Referred To H.M. Inspector	By H.M. Inspector	
Want of cleanliness	-	-	-	-	-
Overcrowding	-	-	-	-	-
Unreasonable temperature	-	-	-	-	-
Inadequate ventilation	-	-	-	-	-
Ineffective drainage of floors	-	-	-	-	-
Sanitary Conveniences					
(a) Insufficient	-	-	-	-	-
(b) Unsuitable or defective	-	-	-	-	-
(c) Not separate for sexes	-	-	-	-	-
Other offences against the Act (not including offences relating to Outwork)	-	-	-	-	-
Total	-	-	-	-	-

PART VIII OF THE ACT

OUTWORK

(Sections 133 and 134)

Nature of work	Section 133			Section 134		
	No. of outworkers in August list required by Section 133 (1) (c)	No. of cases of default in sending lists to the Council	No. of prosecutions for failure to supply lists	No. of instances of work in unwholesome premises	Notices served	Prosecutions
<u>Wearing Apparel</u>	2	-	-	-	-	-

OFFICES, SHOPS & RAILWAY PREMISES ACT, 1963

(A) Registrations and General Inspections

Class of Premises	Number of premises registered during the year	Number of registered premises at end of year	Number of registered premises receiving a general inspection during the year
Offices	19	136	111
Retail Shops	18	177	99
Wholesale Shops, Warehouses	-	9	3
Catering establishments open to the public, canteens	2	20	3
Fuel Storage Depots	-	-	-
Totals	39	342	216

Total number of visits of all kinds by Inspectors to registered premises under the Act 1,057

(B) Analysis of Contraventions

Section	Contraventions	No. found	Section	Contraventions	No. found
4	Cleanliness	9	13	Sitting facilities	-
5	Overcrowding	-	14	Seats (Sedentary Workers)	-
6	Temperature	11	15	Eating facilities	-
7	Ventilation	1	16	Floors, passages & stairs	16
8	Lighting	2	17	Fencing exposed parts of machinery	-
9	Sanitary Conveniences	7	18	Protection of young persons from dangerous machinery	-
10	Washing facilities	3	19	Training of young persons working at dangerous machinery	-
11	Supply of Drinking Water	6	23	Prohibition of heavy work	-
12	Clothing Accommodation	1	24	First Aid General Provisions	13
20	Hoists & Lifts	4	50	Abstract	15
				Total	88

(C) Exemptions

Number of applications received	...	...	...	1
Number of applications granted	...	...	...	-
(i) Space	...	...	...	-
(ii) Temperature	...	...	...	-
(iii) Sanitary Conveniences	...	...	...	1
(iv) Running Water	1

(D) Prosecutions

Number instituted and completed during the year	Nil
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(E) Reported Accidents

Workplace	Number Reported	Total Number Investigated	Action Recommended			No Action
			Prosecutions	Formal Warning	Informal Advice	
Offices	1	1	-	-	1	-
Retail Shops	1	-	-	-	-	1
Wholesale Shops, Warehouses	-	-	-	-	-	-
Catering Establishments open to public, canteens	-	-	-	-	-	-
Fuel Storage Depots	-	-	-	-	-	-
Totals	2	1	-	-	1	1

Analysis of Reported Accidents

	Offices	Retail Shops	Wholesale Warehouses	Catering establishments open to public, canteens	Fuel Storage Depots
Machinery	-	-	-	-	-
Transport	-	-	-	-	-
Falls of persons	1	1	-	-	-
Stepping on or striking against object or persons	-	-	-	-	-
Handling goods	-	-	-	-	-
Struck by falling object	-	-	-	-	-
Fires and Explosions	-	-	-	-	-
Electricity	-	-	-	-	-
Use of hand tools	-	-	-	-	-
Not otherwise specified	-	-	-	-	-

HOUSING

(A) Repair - Housing and Public Health Acts

Number of houses rendered fit after service of notices: NIL

(B) Beyond Repair - Housing Act, 1957

Number of (i)	Undertakings accepted (Section 16)	...	...	...	-
(ii)	Closing Orders made (Section 17)	...	...	...	-
(iii)	Demolition Orders made (Section 17)	...	...	...	-
(iv)	Closing Orders made (Section 18)	...	...	...	-
(v)	Closing Orders determined (Section 27)	...	...		-
(vi)	Closing Orders revoked and Demolition Orders substituted (Section 28)	...	...	...	-
(vii)	Houses demolished following Demolition Orders			....	-
(viii)	Houses repaired under Section 24 after Demolition Order	...	...	...	-

(C) Clearance Areas

(1)	Represented during year	...	...	...	...	...	...	Nil
(2)	Action taken during the year	...	...	...	...	...	...	Nil
(3)	Purchase of houses by agreement	...	...	...	...	...	...	Nil

(D) Improvement Grants

(1) Discretionary

		Owner/Occupiers	Tenanted	
(i)	Number of applications received 44	33	11	
(ii)	Number of applications approved 38	32	6	
(iii)	Number of applications refused -	-	-	
(iv)	Number of dwellings improved 28	22	6	
(v)	Amount paid in grants			£ 11,089 - 70
(vi)	Average grant per house			396 - 06

(2) Standard

		Owner/Occupiers	Tenanted
(i)	Number of applications received	7	3
(ii)	Number of applications approved	10	4
(iii)	Number of applications refused	-	-
(iv)	Number of dwellings improved	7	3
(v)	Amount paid in grants		£ 848 - 40
(vi)	Average grant per house		121 - 20
(vii)	Amenities provided		
	(a) fixed bath or shower		6
	(b) - wash hand basin		6
	(c) hot water supply(to any fittings)		7
	(d) water closet (1) within dwelling		6
	(2) accessible from dwelling		-
	(e) sink		-

(3) Special Grants (Multiple Occupied Premises)

Number of applications received NIL

(E) Housing Act, 1969

(1) General Improvement Areas

Number of areas (a) Surveyed NIL
(b) Declared NIL

(2) Qualification Certificates

(a) Cases where Improvements Required

(i) Number of applications for Qualification
Certificates - Section 44 (2) 16
(ii) Number of Certificates of Provisional
Approval issued 22
(iii) Number of Qualification Certificates
issued - Section 46 (3) -

(b) Standard Amenities already Provided

(i) Number of applications for Qualification
Certificates - Section 44 (1) 52
(ii) Number of Qualification Certificates
issued - Section 45 (2) 47
(iii) Number of applications refused 5

(F) Improvement Areas - Housing Act, 1964

- (i) Number of dwellings improved
 - (a) full standard 6
 - (b) reduced standard -
- (ii) Dwellings improved by L.A. in default
 - (a) full standard -
 - (b) reduced standard -

Section 19 Dwellings outside improvement area

Number of representations made by tenants -

(G) Houses in Multiple Occupation

- (1) Number of notices served:
 - (a) To require additional services or facilities ... Nil
 - (b) Giving directions on overcrowding ... Nil
 - (c) Where work has been carried out in default ... Nil
- (2) Details regarding separate occupancies in houses in multiple occupation:

Number of houses with the following number of separate occupancies	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	Over 12
	1	3	2	4	2	-	1	2	1	-	1	-

Caravans (as at 31st December, 1971)

Number of site licences issued ... Nil

Common Lodging Houses

Number registered in district ... Nil

INSPECTION AND SUPERVISION OF FOOD

1. Milk Supplies

Number of registered distributors	...	...	...	...	...	...	22
Number of registered dairies - Wholesale	...	...	...	...	...	...	1
Retail	...	...	...	...	...	...	3

The dairy at Clenches Farm Road ceased processing milk on 20th August, 1971 and is now only a distribution depot.

Milk Sampling

	Number of Samples Taken	Number of Unsatisfactory Samples
Untreated	5	2
Pasteurised	36	-
Sterilised	-	-

Untreated farm bottled milk from one producer failed the Methylene Blue test twice in succession and this was notified to the Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries & Food.

2. Ice Cream

Number of premises registered - (a) for the manufacture of ice cream	2
(b) for the sale of ice cream	68

Number of samples taken:

Grade 1	-	14
Grade 2	-	1
Grade 3	-	-
Grade 4	-	4

In addition samples of two water ices were taken - both were satisfactory.

3. Premises registered for the Manufacture of Preserved Foods

<u>Classification</u>	<u>Number on Register</u>
Brining of meat only	2
Cooking of ham only	8
Frying of fish only	2
Processing of fish only	1
Cooking of meat pies, sausage rolls, etc.,	5
Manufacture of sausages, cooking of ham, and poultry	3
Manufacture of sausages, cooking and sale of meat	5
Cooking and sale of fish and poultry	2
Cooking of poultry and meat cakes	1
Manufacture of sausages only	3

4. Slaughterhouses

There are no Slaughterhouses in Sevenoaks Urban District

5. Food Premises subject to the Food Hygiene (General) Regulations, 1960

CATEGORY OF TRADE	Number in District	Number fitted to comply with Reg. 16 (wash basins)	Number to which Reg. 19 applies (Provision of sinks, etc.)	Number fitted to comply with Reg. 19
Hotels	4	4	4	4
Cafes/Restaurants	18	18	18	18
Works Canteens	5	5	5	5
Clubs	14	14	14	14
School Kitchens	19	19	19	19
Homes	11	11	11	11
Bakers	9	9	9	9
Confectioners	24	24	24	24
Butchers	10	10	10	10
Fishmongers	3	3	3	3
Fried Fish Shops	2	2	2	2
Greengrocers	19	19	19	19
Grocers	22	22	22	22
Grocers/Butchers	3	3	3	3
Public Houses and Off Licences	24	24	24	24
Chemists	5	5	5	5
Dairies	2	2	2	2
Bakehouses	2	2	2	2

FOOD AND DRUGS ACT, 1955

Details of samples taken by the County Sampling Officers within the Sevenoaks Urban District during the year ended 31st December, 1971

	<u>Satis-</u> <u>factory</u>	<u>Unsatis-</u> <u>factory</u>
Milk	9	-
Butter, margarine, lard, cooking fats, cheese (including processed cheese)...	5	-
Tinned meat, meat, fish, fish and meat pastes ...	10	-
Sugar, sugar confectionery, flour confectionery, chocolate products, cereals	3	-
Tea, coffee, cocoa, beverages, minerals, cordials...	5	-
Jams, preserves, honey, jellies	2	-
Dried fruit, raw fruit, vegetables, tinned fruit and vegetables	3	-
Pickles, sauces, vinegar, condiments	1	-
Drugs, medicines	10	1
Beer, wines, spirits	4	-
Miscellaneous	7	-
	<u>59</u>	<u>1</u>
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UNSATISFACTORY SAMPLE

Worm Syrup

Inadequately labelled. Manufacturer has agreed to amend label.

6. Poultry Inspection

Number of poultry processing premises within the District Nil

7. Unsound Food

Food condemned during the year as unfit for human consumption:

	Cwts.	Qrs.	lbs.	ozs.
Fish	-	2	21	-
Meat	4	-	23	8
Tinned Foods	12	1	15	1
Other Foods	4	2	5	3

All condemned foods are disposed of by burial at the Council's refuse tip.

8. Food Poisoning

One case of food poisoning was notified during the year, the causative organism being Salmonella Agona.

